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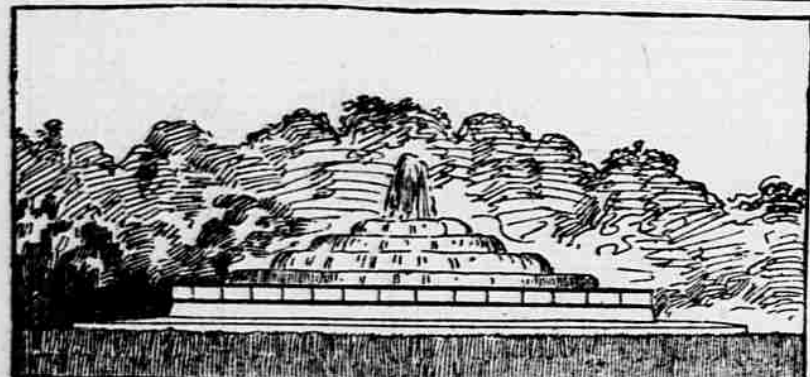
BEAUTIFUL DESIGN FOR SOUTH PASO FOUNTAIN.

Water Will Flow Over a Circular Pyramid of Terraces and Will Be Lighted by a Myriad of Electric Globes.

The park board at its meeting yesterday all but formally accepted the design for the Paso basin at Fifteenth and Grove streets. The design was selected from six prepared by Engineer Keaster, and the contract will be awarded in the near future. It is probable that the design will not be altered, but it is practically certain that the dimensions will be changed to fit the park board's purse.

The design calls for one of the most beautiful and unique features planned for the Paso or any other park or boulevard improvement in the park board's elaborate scheme. The fountain will consist of a series of circular terraces surrounded by the fountain proper, from the center of which will spout a stream of water high in the air, falling in a sheet which will dome the structure in a canopy of water. The terraces will be converted into sparkling cascades, circular in shape, which will be equally beautiful from all sides.

But this novel effect will not stop here. Around the rim of each terrace will run a band of electric globes, arranged in circuits so that the fountain will flash the



THE PROPOSED SOUTH PASO FOUNTAIN.

national colors or any other hues that may be selected. The following dimensions, as planned in the original design, will give some idea of the size of the fountain, and the dimensions will not be reduced very much by subsequent alterations:

The main basin will be 50 feet in diameter. There will be five circular terraces, with the following diameters: First, 50 feet; second, 50 feet; third, 35 feet; fourth, 20 feet; fifth, 10 feet. The electric globes will be strung in bands under the projecting cornice or coping around each terrace and will be 18 inches apart. The water will drop over them several inches in front, so that the globes will diffuse their varied colored hues through a curtain of water. A 30-foot grandstand will surround the basin.

FIGURING ON A CITY PLANT.

Gas Committee Will Take No Action on Electric Light Franchise at Present Time.

The upper house gas committee met yesterday morning and discussed the ordinance granting an electric light franchise to Cornelia S. Sweetland and R. J. Ingram. Mr. Sweetland was present and made a statement as to the intentions of his company. He said the company was acting in good faith and argued against refusing the franchise because the company's plant was located in Kansas.

The committee took no action on the matter and will probably wait until the return of Alderman Beardsley, who will attend the convention of the League of American Municipalities at Detroit, August 1 to 4. While there, Mr. Beardsley will investigate the subject of municipal ownership of electric light plants. He hopes to be able on his return to present a tangible plan for the city to acquire its own plant.

MORE CONTRACTS AUGUST 4.

Will Be Decided Then Whether the Denison or Barber Company Will Get \$30,000 Worth of Work.

The public improvements committee of the council will meet August 4 and award a number of contracts for public improvements. The following are the paving contracts:

Euclid, from Ninth to Twelfth; Virginia, from Tenth to Eleventh; Eleventh, from Tenth to Eleventh; Eleventh, from Forest to Garfield, and Lydia, from Guinotte to Fifth.

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A MISSOURI GIRL AN OREGON EDITOR.

Miss Laura E. Jones has one of the two local papers in Oregon owned and edited by women. It is the Watchman, at Drain. She established it last January, and has met with the best of success.

Miss Jones was born in Adair county, Mo., and went to Oregon when 14 years of age. She attended college at Drain. She began newspaper work five years ago.

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The Royal is the highest grade baking powder known. Actual tests show it goes one-third further than any other brand.



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company does not satisfy the committee that it carry out its contracts, they will be annulled.

DEPENDS ON THE COUNCIL.

Reasonably Certain That There Will Be No Special Auditorial Election This Fall.

It depends upon the common council of Kansas City whether a special election to fill the vacancy in the office of city auditor will be held. In conversation with the mayor or an elective office made vacant by removal for cause. The charter provides, however, that the council may, if it wishes, call an election to fill any vacancy, but it

is not necessary, except in the cases mentioned.

The members of the council are generally opposed to calling a special election. While there will be an election September 6 to vote on the home rule amendments, the Republican members are not willing to jeopardize the success of the amendment by injecting a purely political contest for office and stir up party feeling. The Republican majority is so certain and so large an election for auditor will not be held. There is considerable doubt as to the legality of the action constituting the city delegates to the county convention delegates to a city convention, but if it should be decided that a special election were not to be held anyhow, there would be no talk of an auditorial election. A separate charter did not require it. A separate election, for auditor, costing \$50,000, with the waste of money, from which the people would get no benefit.

LIFTED THE LITTLE MARE.

Between Dusk and Dawn the "Quail Hunter's" Mount Is Secured by Thieves.

The little iron gray mare that John Kennedy rode when he started on his ill-fated "quail-hunting" expedition on January 28, has been stolen and the police of Kansas City have been requested to locate it. The little mare is the property of Van Turner, a farmer who lives nine miles southeast of Independence, and he reports that it was taken from his barn Monday night. The police have a friendly feeling for the animal, for it was owing to its stumbling abilities that Kennedy was found lying unconscious in the street with his holdup and train-robbing paraphernalia on his person, and which gave them the clue which led to his arrest as the suspected murderer of Emma Schumacher.

LOCATING A DEFENDANT.

The Instructions to a Deputy Sheriff With a Divorce Petition To Serve.

"The defendant can be found with the James Millard band. He plays the snare drum."

This was attached to a petition filed in the circuit clerk's office yesterday, in which Minnie Harris asked a divorce from Otto P. Harris. They were married in April, 1888, and in May, 1898, the plaintiff in the case says, she was deserted. She asks alimony and the custody of a 2-year-old child.

Almost Free Photographs.

The Kansas City View Company will rent you a \$25 to \$50 kodak at 10 cents per day, or \$1 per month. Take a kodak with you on your vacation trip. Any one can use one and take the best of pictures. Write to the company, 1421 Walnut, Tel. 1440. Established in 1888.

WANT TO BREAK IN AGAIN.

Effort to Get Saloons in the East Eighteenth Street District, Recently Cleaned Out.

An effort was made yesterday before the police board to secure three saloons licensed on East Eighteenth street. This is the district which was recently cleaned out by the police board because the locality was getting too tough on account of the numerous saloons in the neighborhood. Louis Dewarowitz was given one week to get a saloon from property owners for a saloon at Eighteenth and Vine streets.

Cheap Veterinary Service.

Dr. J. B. Block, a veterinary surgeon, has offered to do all the veterinary work for the police department for \$40 a year. The police board yesterday promptly closed a deal with him.

Several Licenses Granted.

The police board yesterday granted saloon licenses to J. Terrando, at 53 Grand avenue; Crowder & Madden, at 822 Delaware; and August Krueger, at 1201 Liberty.

No. 2 Station to Move.

No. 2 police station, at St. Louis avenue and Mulberry street, will be moved four doors north to better quarters. The police board yesterday authorized the change.

Popular Excursions to Cool Colorado.

Fellow Citizens—If you are thinking of a place where cool breezes blow—where you can lounge comfortably and thoroughly enjoy yourselves—escape the intense heat—take the Missouri Pacific Colorado fast express, leaving Kansas City Union depot daily at 10 a. m., and in twenty-two hours time you will be within reach of Pueblo, Colorado Springs, Manitou, Denver, Idaho Springs, Glenwood Springs, Buena Vista Springs, a charming place for tourists, pleasure seekers and families; has an altitude of 7,500 feet—always cool. All these points and many others reached via the Missouri Pacific railway.

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Now on sale via Union Pacific, Pullman Palace Sleeper, without change, Kansas City to Los Angeles, \$25.00; to San Francisco, \$30.00. No other line does it. Offices, Union depot, 103 Union avenue and Union station, telephone 119.

SIGNAL SYSTEM MAY GO

POLICE BOARD SERVES NOTICE ON TELEPHONE COMPANY.

Insufficient Apportionment Will Not Allow the Expense—Council May Transfer Money to the Police Fund.

The police board yesterday ordered Secretary Vincini to serve notice on the Missouri and Kansas Telephone Company to discontinue the police and fire alarm signal service installed about a year ago. The notice is to take effect July 1, 1899, and if the council in the meantime does not provide sufficient funds for retaining the system, which costs \$4,000 a year, the department will have to go back to the old town pump system of using the all night drug stores, lunch stands and saloons. It is hoped by the police board that the police fund can be increased enough to warrant the retention of the system, which has proved very efficient and of the greatest benefit in securing prompt and continuous communication with police officers.

The apportionment for the police department this year was only \$12,000, or \$12,000 more than for last year. The \$5,000 for signal system cut the net increase to \$7,000 and the necessary employment of operators still further reduced the net increase to \$5,000 in round numbers. This allowed the department to appoint six new patrolmen to offset the doubling of the city area, a totally inadequate number. A conservative estimate of the requirements of properly policing the city was for twenty-five new patrolmen. The department's limits were entirely unprotected while the new territory has claimed for police protection.

In some of the new territory a policeman has been seen only at rare intervals, which have made his visits neighborhood events. This is especially true of the new territory and the Sheffield districts, which, without disparagement to the population generally, have been infested with rough characters and unruly boys.

The abolition of the signal system will throw two of the four operators out of employment. They get \$50 a month, so that the salary of the two left will be a little more than pay the salary of one extra policeman. The \$500 which would be saved by the abolition of the signal system will hire six new men, a total of seven extra men.

But the loss of the system will cripple the department's efficiency regardless of the seven new men who could be appointed. The friends of the department who are with the council to secure the transfer of a sufficient amount of money from the general "city fund" to the police department to the police department to retain the signal system, which keeps the department constantly in touch with the city area, such as fires, serious troubles, etc.

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